

March 18, 1986

LB 767, 910, 1250

PRESIDENT: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall LB 910 pass? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

ASSISTANT CLERK: (Read record vote as found on pages 1490-91 of the Legislative Journal.) 44 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 4 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: A majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill is declared passed. We proceed, unless there are matters for the record, to General File. Matters for the record?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp has amendments to be printed to LB 767. That is the only item I have.

PRESIDENT: Very well. The agenda calls then for us to move on to General File. LB 1250, for a series of appropriations bills to be held for this morning, the rest of this morning. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 1250 was a bill that was introduced by the Appropriations Committee and signed by its members. (Read.) The bill was introduced on March 12, Mr. President, of this year. It was referred directly to General File. I do have a series of amendments pending. (Appropriations Committee amendment appears on pages 1491-92 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, would you like to take up the bill.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, LB 1250 is the bill that does salary adjustments for state employees. It spells out the provisions for a 3 percent salary adjustment with corresponding adjustments in the pay classifications corresponding to the salary increase. In addition, the bill also deals with another issue which has been before us for some time now, two or three years in effect, without being resolved. It is the kind of issue that I think needs to be resolved. What I am speaking of is putting into statute an appropriate structure that will permit state employees to bargain and negotiate economic conditions, and should they come to impasse that they then